

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF COUNSELING AND EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE IN COUNSELING (60 SEMESTER HOURS)
CONCENTRATION: ADDICTIONS COUNSELING

Program Alteration

Current Curriculum: Substance Abuse Counseling	Proposed Curriculum: Addictions Counseling	Rationale for Change
Overall Changes		
Concentration Title: Substance Abuse Counseling	Concentration Title: Addictions Counseling	New title is consistent with CACREP accreditation of this program area.
48 credit hours	60 credit hours	In order to meet current Licensure requirements for New Jersey Licensed Professional Counselor with a specialty in Addictions, the Licensed Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor, and our accreditation body, the Counsel for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) standards, we are increasing the program from 48 to 60 credit hours, adding appropriate courses
Core Curriculum Changes		
30 credit hours	27 credit hours	Allows room for electives in all COUN concentrations.
COUN 531: Counseling Across the Lifespan	COUN 531: Counseling Across the Lifespan	
COUN 552: Introduction to Professional and Ethical Issues in Counseling	COUN 552: Introduction to Professional and Ethical Issues in Counseling	
COUN 577: Counseling Theories	COUN 577: Counseling Theories	
COUN 579: Appraisal of the Individual	COUN 579: Appraisal of the Individual	
COUN 582: Career Counseling	COUN 582: Career Counseling	
COUN 584: Group Counseling: Theory and	COUN 584: Group Counseling: Theory and	

Practice	Practice	
COUN 588: Counseling Techniques	COUN 588: Counseling Techniques	
COUN 595: Multicultural Counseling and Development	COUN 595: Multicultural Counseling and Development	
COUN 652: Introduction to Marriage, Couples, and Family Counseling		Course removed from core curriculum to allow flexibility in all COUN concentrations. COUN 652 is an elective course in the Addictions Counseling concentration requirements.
EDFD 503: Methods of Research	EDFD 503: Methods of Research	
Practicum		
COUN 624: Counseling Practicum (3 credit hours)	COUN 624: Counseling Practicum (3 credit hours)	No changes.
Concentration Requirements and Electives		
9 credit hours	21 credit hours	Allows for completion of 60 credit hour program for accreditation and licensure requirements.
COUN 540: Introduction to Substance Abuse Counseling	COUN 540: Introduction to Alcohol/Drug Counseling	
	COUN 539: Orientation to the Specialization: Addictions Counseling	New course proposal submitted: consistent course material and scope as selected topics; the proposal will make this a complete and required course.
	COUN 590: Clinical Applications in Addictions Counseling	
	COUN 591: Family Seminar in Alcohol and Substance Abuse	
	COUN 604: Clinical Diagnosis and Assessment	
	COUN 640: Counseling Co-Occurring Disorders	
	HLTH 511: Biomedical and Psychosocial Perspectives on Drugs	
One approved elective for 3 credit hours	Two approved electives for 6 credit hours	Increased course offerings to fulfill 60 credit hour

		requirement. Additional courses listed as approved electives to offer students more options.
Internship		
COUN 654: Internship in Counseling I	COUN 654: Internship in Counseling I	No changes.
COUN 674: Internship in Counseling II	COUN 674: Internship in Counseling II	No changes.
Comprehensive Examination (no changes)		